

DRAFT MINUTES
STATE BOARD OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES
PLANNING AND BUDGET COMMITTEE

November 30, 2010
Williamsburg, Virginia

Members Present: Daniel E. Karnes, Joseph M. Guzman, Ph.D., and Jennifer M. Little
Member Absent: Cheryl Ivey Green
Staff Present: Charline Davidson
Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 8:35 a.m.

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Committee members reviewed and moved to accept the minutes without objection.

Comprehensive State Plan 2012-2018 Update Process

Charline Davidson informed the committee that the Department would begin the process for updating its Comprehensive State Plan (CSP) in January 2011. She distributed a one-page handout that referenced the statutory requirement for biennial updates to the CSP, listed the plan's purposes and structure, and highlighted 2012-2018 plan development timelines. Between January and April 2011, the Department will conduct a web-based CSB wait list survey to document unmet service needs. In addition to the wait list survey, the plan will include updated prevalence estimates that apply nationally-accepted methodologies to the Commonwealth's population and other indicators such as special education counts. The committee spoke to higher incidence trajectories during tough economic times as people face stressors such loss of jobs or housing. The resulting increased demand has challenged the services system because fewer safety net services are available.

The 2010-2018 CSP will incorporate the Creating Opportunities Plan strategic initiatives and update other components of the current CSP. During the 2010-2016 plan update process, the committee discussed critical issues facing the services system. Ms. Davidson said these discussions were very helpful and she looked forward to the committee's input during this plan update cycle. To prepare for discussions of critical systems issues, members requested paper copies of the 2010-2016 CSP and the Creating Opportunities Plan. Ms. Little spoke to the importance of cross-system collaboration and referenced the current disconnect between CSBs and schools in addressing the needs of adolescents with mental health issues. She mentioned that training and other efforts to bring stakeholders together were going on in some localities but much more needs to be done.

Budget Discussion

The committee referenced the 2-4-6 percent budget reduction exercise that agencies had been asked to prepare as part of the budget process. Of particular concern to the committee are the challenges to the overall system that have resulted from prior budget reductions and the recognition that the continuing economic conditions, coupled with demands to address the SVP program growth projections and DOJ corrective actions, will continue to take resources away from other facilities and community services.

Adjourn: The Planning and Budget Committee meeting was adjourned at 9:25 a.m.